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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicant : Carmo Ribeiro et al
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Title : MULTI-AXIALLY FORGED PISTON
Grp./A.U. : 3745
Examiner : Frank D. Lopez
Docket No. : 71024-209

AMENDMENT

MAILSTOP: NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the office action dated August 27, 2003, please amend this application as follows:

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